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Hawaii Medical Marijuana Dispensary License List of Applicants Now Available Online

HONOLULU – The Hawaii State Department of Health (DOH) today posted the list of applicants for Medical Marijuana Dispensary Licenses. A total of 66 applications were received during the application period of Jan. 12, 2016, 8 a.m., Hawaii Standard Time (HST) to Jan. 29, 2016, 4:30 p.m. HST. The names of all individual applicants and applying entities as well as the county applied for are posted online at www.health.hawaii.gov/medicalmarijuana under the Dispensary Updates section.

"The department has posted the names of applicants in accordance with Chapter 11-850, Hawaii Administrative Rules," said Keith Ridley, chief of the DOH Office of Health Care Assurance. "All other information on dispensary applications is confidential as we move into the evaluation and selection process."

The medical marijuana dispensary law, Chapter 329D, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), allows DOH to award a total of eight licenses initially: three licenses for the City and County of Honolulu, two dispensary licenses each for the County of Hawaii and the County of Maui, and one dispensary license for the County of Kauai. Each dispensary licensee will be allowed to operate up to two production centers and two retail-dispensing locations.

DOH expects to select and announce licensees by April 15, 2016. A dispensary licensed pursuant to Chapter 329D, HRS, may begin dispensing medical marijuana not sooner than July 15, 2016, with the approval of the Department.

For more information about the Medical Marijuana Dispensary Licensing Program, go to http://health.hawaii.gov/medicalmarijuana/.